Acton Housing Authority

Minutes of Special Meeting, 16 January 1984, 7:30 PM, 68 Windsor Avenue

Attendance: Joseph Mercurio, James Sargent, Leah Nazarian, Barbara Yates.
Betty McManus, Anne Puzella/Acton Housing Authority. Al
Aydelott/Architect. Hughes & MacCarthy. Jean Schoch/League
of Women Voters. Charles Landry/ Maintenance for Acton
Housing Authority.
Citizen's Advisory Committee: Whit Mowry, Margaret Rennie,
Ann Anderson, Roswell Cummings, Mildred Brady, Kathy Maslanka,
Dave Deloury.
Absent: Marlin Murdock

- 1. Leah Nazarian, Vice Chairman called the Special Meeting to order at 7:35 PM.
- 2. Ms. Nazarian welcomed the Citizen's Advisory Committee Members and thanked them for their continued interest in working on the committee.
- 3. The Executive Director updated the Advisory Committee on the progress, over the last ten months, of the proposed construction of the complex on the Great Road site. She informed the members that authorization to proceed was finally granted by EOCD on 6 January 1984.
- 4. Ms. Nazarian introduced Al Aydelott, Architect for the Authority, and stated to the members that the purpose of this Special Meeting was to show the Board Members and the Advisory Committee the prelimary unit drawings which will be presented to EOCD on 20 January 1984.
- 5. Al Aydelott presented the preliminary unit drawings for the elderly and family units. The following items were discussed between the Board Members, The Citizen's Advisory Committee and the Architect.
 - A. Identification of isolated "Wet Land".
 - B. The complex consists of 20 elderly and 6 two family duplexes.
 - C. The need for storage space, possible walk-in closets.
 - D. A handicapped unit within the family housing made possible by integrating in a duplex a 2 bedroon unit and a 4 bedroom unit.
 - E. Sidewalks located on Route 2A.
 - F. A small Community Room for the elderly complex.
 - G. One parking space per unit for the elderly and two per unit for the family housing.
 - H. A sidewalk to be provided along the access road.

- I. Truss framing versus rafter framing. .
- J. Hook-ups to be provided for washer/dryer in family units. The elderly's washer/dryer will be located in the Community Room.
- K. A possible outside storage space under the stairway.
- L. The average construction cost is \$60/sq. ft.. The duplexes are 40' x 40'.
- M. The family units will have individual utility costs.
- N. The sense of the members is to have dumpsters for rubbish collection.
- O. A small office to be used as needed by the Authority will be housed in the elderly Community Room.
- P. The elderly units will face the South side.
- Q. At present this proposal does not include balconies for the elderly.
- R. The Architect was requested to provide a standard window for air conditioners in the elderly units.
- S. The kitchen design in the elderly units needs further clarification.
- 6. Ms. Nazarian reminded the Committee members that the drawings which had been presented were very preliminary. Once the Director and the Architect have met with EOCD on 20 January 1984 the Authority will have a better direction on how to proceed with the formal unit drawings.
- 7. The Special Meeting adjourned at 9:45 PM.
- 8. The next Regular Meeting is scheduled for 23 January 1984 at 7:30 PM.
- 9. The Citizen's Advisory Committee will next meet with the Authority and the Architect on 6 February 1984, the first Regular Meeting of the Authority for the month of February.

Respectfully submitted,

Raomi E. McManus

Executive Director